GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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LOW TURN OUT IN THE ELECTIONS
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Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have ascertained the causes of low voter turn-out in the elections in the recent years;

(b) if so, whether the Government have taken or proposed to take any steps to increase the voter turn-out in the elections by bringing changes in the electoral reforms;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a): According to the figures furnished by the Election Commission of India with regard to the general elections to the Lok Sabha held since 1952 onwards so far, it is not true to say that the percentage of voters` turn-out in the elections has been declining.

(b) to (d): Do not arise.